

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 957

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to recognize Colonel William "Bamm" Wynns, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to recognize those members of the United States military who, throughout their distinguished careers, have served with honor, bravery, and a commitment to duty; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Colonel William "Bamm" Wynns, Jr., of the Tennessee Army National Guard, who is retiring from military service after completing a thirty-three year tenure proudly defending our nation; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Lebanon, Colonel Wynns is a graduate of Friendship Christian School and he received his bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Wynns began his military career as a Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) cadet; he has served as a company and battalion commander, director of Human Resources, deputy Personnel Officer, and Chief of Staff of the Tennessee Army National Guard; and

WHEREAS, he is an active and devout member of Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, which he serves faithfully as vice president of the church council; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Wynns is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Dianna, and their three children, John, Tyler, and Kristen; and

WHEREAS, during his retirement, he plans to spend more time with his family, play golf, enjoy the outdoors, and work with a project his wife founded, which provides nonperishable food, clothing, and personal hygiene products to the homeless; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Colonel William Wynns served these United States with honor and distinction, and it is wholly fitting that this legislative body recognize him on the occasion of his retirement from military service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Colonel William "Bamm" Wynns, Jr., of the Tennessee Army National Guard upon his retirement, extending our gratitude for his many years of selfless service and our best wishes for his every future happiness and success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.